



### **Emergency Service Corps Monthly Activities Report: August 2024**

#### **Summary**

- The City of Parker CO has donated a Traffic Control Cabinet for new radio repeaters at McNeil Scout Ranch
  at Peaceful Valley. The local ARES Radio group is donating new equipment and installation. We will provide a
  new UPS to support the equipment, and a concrete pad will need to be installed next to the Mesa wellhouse.
  Thank you to the ARES Group, City of Parker and Bryan Faulkner who arranged the cabinet donation.
- Douglas County has initiated a free mental health first aid training program.
   https://www.douglas.co.us/mental-health/mental-health-first-aid-training/
- The ESC Team has two open positions for the coming Colorado Jamboree. We would like to find a older Youth Scout interested in Ham Radio to assist with Radio Communications We also have a slot for a Scouter with a current Ham License to also assist the Comms team.
- While it may be hot outside and seem like Summer will go no forever, winter camping is just around the corner. Get prepared by signing up for the ESC Winter Tips and Tricks training,

#### <u>Updates & Reminders</u>

**REMINDER:** BSA Incident Reporting requirements have been updated. All Scouters are responsible for properly reporting any Incidents. The new website, form and instructions can be found on the Incident Landing Page. <a href="https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/incident-report/">https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/incident-report/</a>

#### **Upcoming ESC Activities & Events Support**

- Introduction to Radio in Scouting
  - o Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 7pm In-Person & Video Call @ Hamilton Scout Center
- Colorado Jamboree / ESC Event Support
  - o Thursday, September 26 Monday, September 30 @ McNeil Scout Ranch
  - o Radio Communications, Health & Safety, Ham Radio, Emergency Planning & Preparedness
- First Aid, CPR, AED Certification Training
  - Wednesday, October 2, 2024, <u>6pm</u> In-Person *ONLY* @ Hamilton Scout Center
     We must start earlier than normal to accommodate the amount of training required.
- International Jamboree on the Air / Jamboree on the Internet
  - Friday, October 18, 2024, 4pm-9pm @ Hamilton Scout Center Ham Shack
  - Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9am-5pm @ Hamilton Scout Center Ham Shack and other locations
- Stop the Bleed Trauma First Aid Training
  - Wednesday, November 6, 2024, 7pm In-Person ONLY @ Hamilton Scout Center

NOTE: For More information on upcoming ESC Activities & Events

- o GCC Calendar: ScoutingColorado.org/activities
- GCCESC.org website (in-process)
- o Brad Johnston: Johnston.Scouter@gmail.com
- o ESC Meetings Teleconference Call:
  - Dial into the conference: Dial-in Number: (607) 374-1189 United States Access Code: 626966 Online Meeting Link: https://join.freeconferencecall.com/johnston\_brad Meeting ID: johnston.brad





#### **Current Staffing Needs**

• Training Program Lead

#### **ESC Programs**

Medic Training & Support Program – Bryan Faulkner

- Medic Training Program: Pending Medic Training program and schedule update.
- American Red Cross online 90-minute course for "immediate responder" orientation https://www.hmpgloballearningnetwork.com/site/emsworld/news/red-cross-releases-new-course-immediate-responders

American Red Cross and ACEP have released a 90-minute online orientation course for "immediate responders" at trauma or medical emergency scenes so that they know what to do and what not to do until trained responders arrive. Only a very small percentage of the public have any concept of appropriate steps to take to help victims of medical emergencies or trauma until trained first responders arrive to render care. This also would be very good for "safety moments" introductions on the website and to open meetings with to encourage participation by Scouts and Scouters.

- Mental Health 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Support: Training is available through the "Able Scouts" website which leads to the Inclusion Toolbox, and in this case specifically, The Inclusion Toolbox, "J" which is Understanding Anxiety, Depression, and other Mental Health Concerns. The link is <a href="https://ablescouts.org/toolbox/j/">https://ablescouts.org/toolbox/j/</a> Another section deals with recognizing and communicating with Scouts who have needs at <a href="https://ablescouts.org/toolbox/c/">https://ablescouts.org/toolbox/c/</a>.
  - Douglas County has initiated a free mental health first aid training program. https://www.douglas.co.us/mental-health/mental-health-first-aid-training/
- Standardized GCC Medic 1<sup>st</sup> Response Kits: DJ Rasco, Bob Fager and Taylor Yexley have been requested to develop an standardization of Medic 1<sup>st</sup> Response kits to be stocked and distributed at the McNeil Scout Ranch and deployed to GCC events off-site.
- **Medic Call List:** The Medic Call list ranges from Basic 1<sup>st</sup> Aid to Doctors. With this list of volunteers, we have fulfilled every GCC event request for Medic Support we have received. **THANK YOU ALL.**

#### **Amateur Radio Program George Weber**

- Radios in Scouting: The "Introduction to Radio in Scouting" class is now scheduled for the September ESC Meeting. Scouts and Scouters of all ages are welcome to attend, either in person at the Denver Scout Office Ham Radio Shack in the Cap Climbing Wall Lounge or on-line. See the note under Upcoming Activities for information on joining ESC Meetings and Trainings on-line.
- Hamilton Scout Center and McNeil Scout Ranch Radio Shacks: A procedure to authorize Scouts and Scouters to operate the stations is available.
- McNeil Scout Ranch Ham Radio Repeater: The KB0BSA repeater at camp (PV) is on 447.325 with a MINUS offset and a 151.4 Hz tone required. Provide audio (your call sign) and it will give a voice ID response in reply. Work is continuing to find a new home for the repeaters in the form of a large Traffic Control box or other outdoor weatherproof electronics box.
- Radio Library: The ESC/Radio Scouting team has many FRS Walkie-Talkie radios as well as some Amateur HF, VHF and UHF requiring Ham license available for check-out. FRS radios do not require any training or license to use. These radios are packaged into convenient carry boxes with instructions. The radios are available for all Scouting Units to check out. Email Brad at <a href="mailto:Johnston.Brad@outlook.com">Johnston.Brad@outlook.com</a> for more information.
- Annual Jamboree on the Air / Jamboree on the Internet: The annual JOTA/JOTI event is scheduled for October 18-20, 2024. Planning has begun and preliminary posters are in review. The ESC team and Radio Scouting folks are again planning an Open House at the Hamilton Scout Center on Friday evening as well as an Open House and Radio Merit Badge event on Saturday October 19, 2024.



#### ESC Training/Information (We Need a Lead)

ESC offers in-house training, coordinates training opportunities with both Scouting and outside agencies, keeps a reference list of available on-line training as well as passes on information about other training opportunities. Training is available for Scouts and Scouters. Courses vary in availability from in-person and teleconference, or on-line. To get information on upcoming ESC related training opportunities join the ESC Mailing List.

#### ESC Training Courses:

- Regularly scheduled trainings at ESC Monthly Meetings Check the Council Calendar
  - Red Cross First Aid, CPR & AED Certifications
  - ACS Stop the Bleed Bleeding Control Certification
  - Emergency Scenarios
  - Winter Camping
  - Introduction to Radio Scouting
- Periodically Scheduled Trainings Check the ESC Monthly Reports or Council Calendar
  - Basic Life Support First Aid
  - Wilderness First Aid
  - Wilderness First Responder
  - Radio Merit Badge
- Training on Request
  - Troop Activity Planning / Risk Assessment
  - Emergency Preparedness
  - Outdoor Essentials / 72 Hour Kits
  - Safety Moments
  - Mental Health First Aid
- **FEMA Incident Response Training:** Jeff Mosel has gathered a list of FEMA Free Study courses available on-line that train participants in Event Emergency Planning and Response.
  - Everyone in the Greater Colorado Council planning or executing events (Camporees/Klondorees, NYLT Bighorn and Woodbadge trainings, Cub Scout Day Camps and other activities should review and consider taking the basic 4 classes. The classes list with more detailed training information for people responsible for specific roles is available on request.
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): We would like to initiate a training program to offer courses to Scouts, Scouters and the general public.
- **Training Curriculum:** We need to review the current list of training offered and the schedule. What works, what's popular, what's needed? Shall we do a survey?
- **ESC Website:** We have a new website in development at GCCESC.org. A significant amount of content is in process of being sorted and uploaded. Thanks Richard Hall.
- Safety Moments: Scouting USA asks that all Scouting Events include a Safety Moment at the beginning of each meeting, event or activity. ESC has a number of Safety Moment materials and training available.

#### **Mobile Operations Projects**

• Support Operations Trailer: We have begun renovation of the enclosed 4'x8' utility trailer to be used for evacuation and program support. In the event evacuation of the McNeil Scout Ranch is required this trailer will provide an initial Operations Base at the evacuation site to assist Administration (Check-In/Check-Out and Records Management), Cooking and cleaning (cooking gear, stoves and serving tables, cleaning and laundry equipment), Shelter with tarps, and Program activities with tables, tools and other supplies. Refurbishments and enhancements to the trailer and its equipment are in process.



• **PV Support Operations Storage:** A 20' shipping container has been set up at McNeil Scout Ranch to store camping gear available for use in an emergency or support to those at camp in need. The container needs to be surveyed and the gear available inventoried. Additional donated camping gear is pending to be placed in the container. Just pending availability of ESC Team and Camp personnel.

#### **ESC Schedule**

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<b>Emergency Service Corps</b>	Activities & Events C					
Activity	Date		End Date	Time	Location	Rm
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, August 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, August 4, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - What's Next Annual Review	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, August 18, 2024	All Day	Sunday, August 18, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, September 1, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, September 1, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - Introduction to Radios in Scouting	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	9am - 5pm	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Loung
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Loung
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, September 15, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, September 15, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - 1st Aid, CPR, AED Training	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC Only	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, October 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, October 6, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
Jamboree On the Air & Internet	Friday, October 18, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, October 20, 2024	All Day	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Loung
Jamboree On the Air & Internet	Saturday, October 19, 2024	9am - 5pm	Friday, October 18, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Loung
Radio Merit Badge JOTA/JOTI	Saturday, October 19, 2024	9am - 5pm	Saturday, October 19, 2024	9am - 5pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Loung
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, October 20, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, October 20, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, November 3, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, November 3, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - Stop the Bleed Training	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC Only	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, November 17, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, November 17, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, December 1, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Thursday, December 5, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - Winter Camping / Stocking Stuffer	k Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, December 15, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Thursday, December 19, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-

# Greater Colorado Council Jamboree on the Air Jamboree on the Internet October 18-19, 2024

## JOTA /JOTI Open House

Make international Internet and Ham Radio Contacts, Tour the Ham Radio Shack

Friday, October 18, 2024 7pm to 9pm - Hamilton Scout Center

Saturday, October 19, 2024 9am to 3pm

- Hamilton Scout Center
- Greater Colorado Field Stations

(Locations to be determined)

Ham Operators: We need help supporting the Ham Shacks and establishing local Field Stations. *Especially on the Western Slope.* 

#### For More Information

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- George Weber (JOTA), KA0BSA@gmail.com
- Leisl Athen (JOTI), <u>aleisl@yahoo.com</u>





## Introduction to Radios in Scouting









## Emergency Service Corps September 4, 2024, 7pm Meeting

Hamilton Scout Center and Teleconference Call

From Walkie-Talkies to Amateur Radio at Scouting Events and on your Unit Hikes and Campouts.

What is available, How to use them, and How to get Started

Sign up at: scoutingcolorado.org/activities
June 5, 2024 ESC Committee Meeting
For more information contact Brad Johnston,
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